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## Fund Drive Opens March 1

# Order's National Home

## Supreme Venerable's New Year Message

### Reviews Order's Program

(The following is the traditional New Year's message to members of the Order from the Supreme Venerable. In his message Brother Gorrasi discusses a number of important matters facing the Order.)

In the time old tradition let me wish the members of the Order, "A Happy New Year."

The purpose of this message is to express some thoughts that might inspire us to greater effort for the further development of the Order and particularly in the fulfillment of certain phases of our national program.

The success of organizational work lies in the unified action of all members. Each member must be imbued with a determination and desire to contribute his and her best efforts toward the attainment of common purposes.

The most important part of the national program is to recruit new members, and make the life of the Order so interesting to both the old and new members that we will retain them after enrollment.

The drive for new members must never end. The end of one drive is to begin preparations for another.

It has been the experience of all who have been associated with the Order, that to a certain extent, cancellations will always take place. It is such with all fraternal, civic organizations and service clubs. However, ways and means must be found to bring cancellations of members to a minimum.

### Filial Lodge Heart of the Order

The heart of the Order is the Filial Lodge. Its numerical, spiritual and material advancement depend upon the joint effort of the entire membership, under a sound and constructive leadership of the officers of the Lodge. The officers must be willing to assume the responsibility of their office; they must actively participate in the functions of the Lodge; the officers must interest themselves in the numerical growth of the Lodge. The officers must be the first to furnish the inspiration and driving force in a membership drive.

New Lodges must be organized. This obligation rests primarily with the Grand Councils of the Grand Lodges. Who will say that within the jurisdiction of any Grand Lodge, there are not areas where a new Lodge can be organized. The Grand Council members of each Grand Lodge should take stock of their areas, and I am sure that they will find sections where a new Lodge can be founded.

It requires work and sacrifice; many hours must be spent soliciting new members; time must be put in to explain the ideals and purposes of the Order. However, all this must be done if each Grand Officer really desires to make a contribution toward the realization of the ideal, "to enroll in the Order all persons of Italian birth or descent."

### Outlines Duties of Supreme Officers

Supreme Officers must be ready and willing to lend full support to the Grand Council in their State in all phases of the drive for new members and other activities.

The Order must be expanded in other States where there are appreciable numbers of our people eligible to join our ranks. In connection with this phase of our national program, I am trying to enlist the aid of subscribers to OSIA NEWS in sections of the United States where the Order has no Lodges. It is my fond hope that some of these subscribers will interest themselves enough to organize a Lodge in their community.

Mass participation by members is not only desired, but is essential for the success of all activities undertaken by Grand Lodges and Filial Lodges. They conduct banquets, dances and many other social functions. This has resulted, and rightly so, in a better and closer understanding of the Grand Lodge and Filial Lodges.

### Stresses Mass Participation

In this message I want to stress "Mass Participation" by members in Supreme Lodge activities. This has been a theme of mine during the past year. I am prompted to repeat that, "for the Order to be influential, to be regarded as a potent force, to exert a moral influence on a National level, the entire membership must be aware of, weigh and consider, and give moral and material support to the Supreme Lodge that represents the sweeping broad pattern of the entire life of the Order."

The members who participate, bring themselves closer to the

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## Plan Four Regional Chairmen

Members throughout the United States and Canada soon will be asked to make an all-out effort to raise \$400,000 for the construction of the Order's National Home in Washington, D. C.

The national drive for funds will be launched March 1, according to John A. Volpe of Winchester, Mass., national home committee chairman.

Volpe, who made the announcement in a letter mailed to all Grand Venerables, said further that he will appoint four regional chairmen to coordinate the drive throughout the country.

Announcement of these regional chairmen will be made in the February edition of OSIA NEWS.

Volpe's letter to each of the Order's 21 Grand Venerables outlined the general procedure of the drive, requested the appointment of state and local lodge chairmen and asked that a special gifts committee be organized on a state level.

The National Chairman's letter follows:

"As a result of action taken by the Supreme Council at its last meeting in Washington, the National Home Committee is preparing plans for inaugurating a National Campaign to raise funds for this worthwhile project.

"The nation is being divided into four regions with a regional chairman heading up the drive in each region. These chairmen will coordinate our efforts and do everything possible to be of assistance to the various Grand Lodges in their region.

"Each Grand Lodge may desire to conduct its campaign a little differently, and we shall not try to lay down fixed rules which

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## MONSIGNOR PALLOTTA APPOINTMENT

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Guido L. Pallotta, pastor of St. Anthony's Church in Revere, Mass., reads letter of appointment to the office of Supreme Chaplain presented by Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi at right. Supreme Trustee Mario F. DiTrola of Winthrop, Mass., left, a life-long friend of the new Supreme Chaplain, attended the presentation ceremonies.

## First In Order's History

### Supreme Chaplain Named

Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi has announced the appointment of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Guido L. Pallotta of Revere, Mass., as Supreme Chaplain for the Order Sons of Italy in America.

Monsignor Pallotta's appointment to the new office, created by special decree at the Supreme Council sessions held in Washington, D. C., last September, was approved by His Eminence Richard Cardinal Cushing, archbishop of Boston.

Supreme Chaplain Pallotta is not a new figure to members of the Massachusetts Order. He has served as Grand Chaplain since 1947.

The new Supreme Chaplain is pastor of St. Anthony's Church in Revere.

Prior to the appointment, Supreme Venerable Gorrasi wrote the following letter to Cardinal Cushing:

"The Supreme Lodge of the Or-

der Sons of Italy in America is represented in Massachusetts by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts with lodges in many cities and towns.

"Since 1947, with your kind approval the office of Grand Chaplain for the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has been held by Rt. Reverend Guido L. Pallotta who has faithfully rendered significant spiritual service to the members of the Order in the State, a service for which they are everlastingly grateful.

"As Supreme Venerable of the Order, I have been entrusted with the prerogative of choosing one to fill the office of Supreme Chaplain.

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## U. S. Press Publicizes Order's National Home

The Order's proposed new national home in Washington, D. C., has received widespread publicity throughout the United States as the result of efforts of members in key states.

Late in October of last year, A. Alfred Marcello, chairman of the Order's Committee on Public Relations, released photographs and news media on the home to Supreme and Grand Lodge officers and publications within the Order.

Marcello urged all recipients to bring this material to the attention of their respective local newspapers for dissemination to the public.

Within a few days after mailing this material, the Public Relations chairman received the first reaction to the national home publicity project.

Supreme Trustee Anthony E. Candela of Ashtabula, Ohio mailed a copy of the Star-Beacon dated October 21. The newspaper had published the architect's drawing of the home and the accompanying press release.

In New York, Grand Venerable Carmine A. Ventiera made copies of the photograph and press release and mailed a copy of each to all venerables in the state. Grand Venerable Ventiera, in his

letter to Brother Marcello, said that lodges were instructed to place the material on their bulletin boards and also to have it inserted in their respective local newspapers.

From Connecticut, Brother Marcello received a news clipping which carried a picture of the home and a news story. It was sent by Grand Venerable Domenico Cocco and had appeared in the Bridgeport Post.

Among the state publications within the Order that used the news release and photograph thus far are Ordine Nuovo of Pennsylvania and Il Leone of California.



# Wide Publicity Given To "Wearing Of The Purple"

## Members Gave Enthusiastic Support to Color Project

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

Now that we are on the threshold of a New Year it is possible to look back and evaluate what we, the members of the Order Sons of Italy in America, have accomplished in trying to make millions of Americans more conscious of the observance of Columbus Day.



MARCELLO

In our book, the reaction to "the wearing of the purple" was the most tremendous thing that has happened in the Order in years. We do not know of another program where the rank and file of members worked with such enthusiasm and purpose. Without this enthusiastic support it would not have been possible for the Order's National Committee on Public Relations to put over the "wearing of the purple" project. If what happened throughout the country last October is any criteria, then the Order's pet project to make Columbus Day a national holiday is certain of making the grade eventually.

Reports reaching the Public Relations Committee indicate that members throughout the Order succeeded in enlisting the aid of high government officials in focusing the spotlight on the color purple in connection with Columbus Day observances everywhere in the United States.

Soon after the Supreme Council meeting in Washington, D. C., last September this writer, in his capacity as chairman of the National Committee on Public Relations, prepared a special advisory bulletin which was mailed to Supreme Council members, Grand Lodge officials and other key officers in every state where the Order has lodges.

This advisory bulletin explained basic procedures to be followed to achieve the widest possible publicity for the Order's bid to have the color purple accepted by the general public.

In the advisory bulletin the Public Relations Committee also suggested that Grand Lodge and local lodge leaders arrange with local newspapers to have pictures taken of presentations of the "purple" to governors, mayors and high church dignitaries.

Though returns on the presentations of the "purple" are incomplete, the following is a partial list of dignitaries who endorsed the "wearing of the purple."

Italian Ambassador Manlio Brosio of Washington, D. C.

Vice President Richard Nixon.

Gov. Foster Furcolo of Massachusetts.

Gov. Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland.

Gov. C. William O'Neill of Ohio.

Gov.-elect Michael V. DiSalle of Ohio.

Gov. George Leader of Pennsylvania.

Bishop John J. Wright of Worcester, Mass.

U. S. Rep. George Huddleston Jr. of Alabama.

U. S. Senators Joseph P. Clark and Edward Martin of Pennsylvania.

Mayor Richard C. Lee of New Haven, Conn.

Mayor Anthony C. Gelormino of Torrington, Conn.

Mayor Robert King High of Miami.

Mayor Anthony J. DeMarco of Bellaire, Ohio.

City Manager C. D. Lambros of Ashtabula, Ohio.

Mayor John Rosenblatt of Omaha.

Mayor William G. Meyer of Fairmont, W. Va.

Italian Consul General Dr. Giacomo Profile of Chicago.

## New Chaplain's Message to Order

"To the Supreme Officers, Grand Venerables, Officers and Members of our Order:

"In this atomic age in which we are living we observe that mankind is inexorably dividing itself into two distinct and diametrically opposed camps, one for God and the other anti-God; the battle-line for this final all-out conflict is clearly being drawn; and mankind's choice is clearer now than at any time in its history, it must choose between Creed or chaos.

"In creating the new post of Supreme Chaplain, this glorious Order of ours is officially declaring itself, to a man, to be in God's camp, willing and ready to combat all enemies of God, especially the arch-enemy, atheistic communism.

"As your Chaplain I dedicate myself to the task of helping you in every way possible so that you may emerge victorious in this all-out battle.

"In my daily Masses and prayers I shall remember the welfare of our Order generally, and the spiritual needs of its individual members.

"May I take this occasion to extend to each of you my prayerful wish that the New Year bring many blessings upon you and yours."

## Cardinal's Letter On Appointment Of Msgr. Pallotta

Granting ecclesiastical approval to the appointment of Monsignor Pallotta as Supreme Chaplain, Richard Cardinal Cushing sent the following letter to Supreme Venerable Gorrasl:

"Thanks for your note. I am very, very happy to appoint Rt. Rev. Guido L. Pallotta to the office of Supreme Chaplain for the entire Order of the Sons of Italy in the United States and Canada.

"Now it is your duty as Supreme Venerable to notify him that he is the choice of the Order. It is a pleasure, indeed, to be of this service.

"Thanks for congratulating me on the occasion of being named to the College of Cardinals. It was most kind of you to think of me even though I prefer that the honors would go to somebody else.

"With love, blessings and the assurance of special prayerful mementos during my coming visit to Rome."

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lain for the entire Order in the United States and Canada.

"It has been my happy privilege to have enjoyed the friendship of the Monsignor for a number of years. I am acquainted with the wonderful work which he has performed for the Order in this State, and it is my hope to expand his spiritual activities in behalf of the Order in the United States and Canada.

"Your permission is requested that the Monsignor be permitted to accept the appointment of Supreme Chaplain and thus enable the membership of the Order to receive the benefit of his experiences and spiritual guidance.

"Your Eminence, speaking for our entire membership, both in the United States and Canada, please allow me to take this opportunity to congratulate you upon your elevation to the College of Cardinals. Your choice as a Prince of the Church was not only a worthy one, but a most deserving one.

"With God's help and His blessings, may your work continue, 'Ad Multos Annos.'"

## Thumbnail Profile

## The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Pallotta

The Order's new Supreme Chaplain, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Guido L. Pallotta of Revere, Mass., has been a member of the Order since 1947.

Soon after his induction into the Order, he was appointed to the office of Grand Chaplain by U. S. Atty. Anthony Julian, then serving as Grand Venerable of the Massachusetts Order.

The Supreme Chaplain this year observes his 33rd year in the priesthood. He was ordained May 7, 1926.

At his ordination, Father Pallotta was one of the first two priests of Italian descent to be admitted to the priesthood in the diocese of Boston.

From 1926 to 1943 he served as a curate in Scituate, Maynard, Boston and Haverhill.

In 1943 he was assigned as administrator to St. Anthony's

Church in Revere. Under his guidance, parishioners worked diligently to raise funds to pay off a heavy mortgage and to remodel the church sanctuary.

Archbishop Cushing, elevated to the College of Cardinals last month, named Father Pallotta pastor of St. Anthony's Church in 1949.

In recognition of his services as Grand Chaplain, for his assistance to the Order during the war years to aid the destitute people of Italy and its orphans, the Grand Lodge paid him tribute in 1951 at a banquet attended by more than 1000 persons. The banquet also marked the 25th year of his ordination to the priesthood.

Supreme Chaplain Pallotta was elevated to the rank of monsignor in 1955 by the late Pope Pius XII.

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national conscience of the Order. Such members will the more appreciate, the power and influence of the Order on a national level.

At the recent meeting of the Supreme Council held in Washington there were members present from ten states. It was the answer to my appeal for "Mass Participation." I am certain that all of these members came away with a deeper understanding of the Order.

The Supreme Lodge will hold its next Supreme Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, from August 20th to 24th, 1959. Now is the time for members to formulate plans to attend the Supreme Convention. The month of August is a fine vacation month. Why not include the Supreme Convention as part of your vacation?

Massachusetts a "Good Host"

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has always been a good host in past Supreme Conventions, and I am sure that the next Supreme Convention will be no exception. In fact, with mass participation by the membership, the coming Convention should be the most outstanding in the history of the Order.

The past year saw tremendous strides made toward the establishment of the home of the Order in Washington, D. C.

The location for the home has been acquired.

The members who have not paid their assessment are urged to do so at once, and Grand Lodges are requested to forward the paid assessments to the office of the Supreme Financial Secretary.

The National Committee is preparing a fund raising campaign. I urge all members to contribute within their means. No contribution is too small.

Actual construction of the home will not be started until the funds are available.

Let us all get to work and get the job done!

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## Holiday Greetings

Stella D'Italia  
Lodge No. 1498

FRESNO, CALIF.

## Best Wishes For The New Year

VITTORIO VENETO  
LODGE NO. 1283

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

## Holiday Best Wishes

Guglielmo Marconi  
Lodge No. 1575

LOMPOC, CALIF.

To The Officers and Members  
OF THE  
Order Sons Of Italy In America  
THE GRAND LODGE OF CALIFORNIA  
EXTENDS BEST WISHES FOR A  
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

ATTILIO RAETA  
Grand Venerable



**SEASON'S  
GREETINGS**

**SILVIO  
PERRELLA**

Supreme Trustee

WILKES-BARRE, PA.

**New Year Greetings to Members of the Order  
Throughout the United States and Canada**

**Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania**

**JUDGE EUGENE V. ALESSANDRONI**

**Grand Venerable**

**PHILADELPHIA, PA.**

**HOLIDAY  
BEST WISHES**

**MARIA  
MONTESSORI**  
**Lodge No. 1711**

Uniontown, Pa.

**NEW YEAR  
GREETINGS**

**"12 OTTOBRE"  
LODGE No. 486**

Luigi Calvarese, venerable; Natale Pisani, assistant venerable; Antonio Rossi, ex-venerable; Joseph Pappano, orator; Michele Iannelli, financial secretary; Rosa Gorga, recording secretary; James Manni, treasurer; Joseph Muscella, William Tomasco, Daniel Molla, Ottavio Calvarese, Luigi Cerbara, trustees; Joseph Lattanzio, Nicola Mancini, masters of ceremony; Vincenzo Fusco, sentinel.

CHESTER, PA.

**A Happy  
New Year  
To All**

**Trionfo  
Italico**

**Lodge No. 1171**

New Castle, Pa.

**SEASON'S  
GREETINGS**

**Francesco Paolo  
Tosti Lodge**

**NO. 748**

Venerable, Frank Rossi, Assistant Venerable Ercole Puglielli, Ex-Venerable Teodoro Serafini, Orator Pasquale DiStefano, Recording Secretary Romeo R. Aquilino, Financial Secretary Domenick DeNelli, Treasurer Leonardo Aquilino; Trustees: Giuseppe Travetti, Alfio Sciortino, Giuseppina Pino, Caterina Liberi, Lola Aquilino, Masters of Ceremony Mrs. Jenny D'Onofrio and Pietro Mellone.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

**Best Wishes For A  
Happy and Prosperous  
New Year**

**THE OFFICERS AND  
MEMBERS OF**

**DUE PALME  
Lodge No. 189**

1007 Daisy Street

Clearfield, Pa.

**Holiday Greetings  
TERRA REDENTA  
MAYFAIR**

**Lodge No. 447**

Frank Nicoletti, venerable; Donato Laquintano, ex-venerable; James Lisolsi, assistant venerable; Silvio Nicoletti, orator; James Livolsi, recording secretary; Anthony Ferrigno, financial secretary; Paul Simone, treasurer; Samuel Cascarelli, Anthony Turco, Albert Parrillo, Orlando Giovannelli, Manuel Magalotti, Paul Lepera, trustees; Fedele D'Uva, Giacomo DiEduardo, masters of ceremony; Peter Turco, sentinel.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

**NEW YEAR GREETINGS**

**GIUSEPPE GARIBALDI GIOVANE ITALIA  
LODGE NO. 881**

New Kensington, Pa.

**New Year Best Wishes**

**VINCENT D. GALZERANO  
FUNERAL HOME**

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

**AMERICA LODGE No. 735**

of Greensburg, Pa.

**Extends Cordial Greetings  
For a Happy New Year**

Venerable Joseph Maddalena, Assistant Venerable John Rullo, Ex-Venerable Carmel Avampato Jr., Orator Patsy Marchioni, Recording Secretary Louis Marchioni, Financial Secretary Michael Santoro, Treasurer Anthony Altieri; Trustees: John Costabile, Paul Grippo, Joseph Corsi, Michael Trongo, Arnold Fiore; Master of Ceremonies, Eugene Ferace, Guard Raphael Paolone.

**Best Wishes For The  
New Year**

**ANTONIO MEUCCI  
LODGE No. 306**

NORRISTOWN, PA.

**Happy New Year**

**ALTOONA CITY  
LODGE**

**No. 1415**

Venerable Carmela Landolfi, Assistant Venerable Marcella Cafasso, Ex-Venerable Vincenzo Franco, Orator Rose Mazza, Recording Secretary Mary Iannicelli, Financial Secretary Grace Fiore, Treasurer Josephine C. DeMattels; Trustees: Grace Scacco, Rose Temofonte, Mary Ferrer, Josephine Barone, Mary Damico, Mary Folcarelli; Masters of Ceremony Carmela Grassi, Grace Marsucco; Sentinel Mary DiLeo.

ALTOONA, PA.

**NEW YEAR WISHES**

**GLORIA LODGE  
No. 815**

Initiated May 12, 1918

Venerable Camillo Olivieri, Assistant Venerable Giorgio S. Clause, Ex-Venerable Anthony Tedesco, Orator Fortunato Loprete, Recording Secretary Michael Basta, Financial Secretary Giovanni Citorelli, Treasurer Giustino Tomassoni; Trustees: Frank Licciardone, William Zambeti, Pietro Renanese, Giuseppe Vitulano, Calogero Cortese; Masters of Ceremony Alfonso Cristina and Joseph Monteforte, Guard Anthony Biancardi.

OLD FORGE, PA.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**GUY MAMMOLITE**

**Grand Trustee**

FRANKLIN, PA.

**Season's Greetings**

**SUPREME TREASURER**

**JOSEPH CERNUTO**

MT. PLEASANT, PA.

**Best Wishes For A Happy New Year**

**UNITED LODGES OF  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY**

**DISTRICT 15**

**Grand Trustee Charles N. Caputo, Chairman**

Pittsburgh Lodge No. 74  
Terza Italia Lodge No. 174  
Cittadini Uniti Lodge No. 317  
Coraopolls Lodge No. 389  
Sharpsburg Lodge No. 586  
24 Maggio Lodge No. 624  
Cooperative Galzolari Lodge No. 665  
Indipendente Di Beneficenza Lodge No. 895  
Roma Lodge No. 713  
Swissvale Lodge No. 758  
Vitt. Eman. Aosta Lodge No. 850  
East Liberty Lodge No. 901  
Prov Di Caserta, Trento E Trieste No. 989  
Libera Italia Lodge No. 941  
Lucania Lodge No. 988  
Potenza Lodge No. 1049  
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Beatrice Portinari Lodge No. 1264  
Nicola Misasi Lodge No. 1277  
Lealtà E Unione Lodge No. 1699  
Cornelia Dei Gracchi Lodge No. 1708  
Roma Dante Lodge No. 1896  
Nuova Bella Italia Lodge No. 1864  
Golden Triangle Lodge No. 2027

PITTSBURGH, PA.



## Scholarship Fund Party At Medford

MEDFORD, Mass. — A large gathering attended a scholarship fund card party sponsored by Santa Maria Ladies' Lodge No. 1570.

The lodge has planned a number of similar activities to raise money for its scholarship award to be made this year to a Medford student.

Miss Fannie Mattaliano was chairman. Committee members included Venerable Gemma Valenti, Helen Cagno, Marion Lentini, Josephine Savarino, Celia Gravalles, Madeline Miceli, Lucille DeCristofaro, Vicky Cunha, Norma Deauchamps, Carmella DeSimone, Louise Tartaro, Grace Patti, Phyllis Scarpelli, Rose Nilo, Mary Curro, Bessie Abramo and Tina DePaulis.

Sister Tartaro, lodge trustee, won the \$25 savings bond first prize, Nancy Bonfiglio was awarded a turkey and Collie Kapas received the door prize.



### 30TH ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCE OF SOUTHTON, CONN., LODGE

About 170 members and guests attended the 30th anniversary banquet sponsored by Fede Amore Lodge No. 1505. Some of the guests attending were, seated, left to right, Mrs. Joseph A. Luty, Mrs. Anna DiTucci, Mrs. John Ottaviano, Mrs. Rose Dascoli, Mrs. Rose Barrilaro, Mrs. Dominic Cocco; standing, left to right, Mrs. Julia Lalla, Mrs. Erminia Salzillo, First Slectman Joseph Luty, Grand Venerable Dominic Cocco, P. William Rich, toastmaster; First Assistant Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano, Mrs. Rose Ricci, Fred Barrilaro, Mrs. Elsie Rich, Mrs. Carmela Ianucci, Grand Recording Secretary Louis N. Nardelli and Miss Lucy Catucci.



## Member Drive Started in Skokie, Ill.

SKOKIE, Ill. — Assistant Venerable Dominic Bartholome has been named chairman of a membership drive being conducted by Skokie Valley Lodge No. 2046.

Other members of the committee include Grand Trustee D. M. Alberti, John A. Novello, Eugene Amendola and Anthony Boccio. Pat Francis Seul is the lodge venerable.

## Season's Greetings

# LEONARDO DA VINCI

Lodge No. 1951

BECKLEY, W. VA.

### ANSONIA, CONN., LODGE 40TH BIRTHDAY

Members of Bella Sicilia Lodge honored two charter members at the 40th anniversary dinner-dance held at the Paradise Inn. Seated, left to right, Mrs. Jennie LoPresti, Mrs. Frances Salerno, Mrs. Frances Carrubba, chairman; Mrs. Maria Nardi, Mrs. Maria Liberti, charter member; Mrs. Nicolina Gugliuzza, charter member; Mrs. Maria Coppola, Mrs. Providenza LoPresti and Mrs. Rose Santilli; standing, left to right, Mrs. Mary Violante, Mrs. Antoinette DiMauro, Mrs. Michelina Lombardi, Mrs. Dominic Cocco, Grand Venerable Dominic Cocco, Mrs. Clara Ceritelli, toastmaster; Mrs. Josephine Liberti, Mrs. John Ottaviano, First Assistant Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano, Mrs. Rose Lanteri, Mrs. Nancy Pertoso, Constantino Gugliuzza, Mrs. Lucy Culmo and Mrs. Marie Spinelli.

### 100 Inducted at Woburn, Mass.

WOBURN, Mass. — A class of 100 new members was inducted into the Order at ceremonies preceding the third annual Columbus

Day banquet sponsored jointly by lodges in Malden, Medford, Winchester and Woburn.

Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorasi was principal speaker.

Other speakers included Grand Venerable John Guarino, Grand Recording Secretary Miss Sophie E. Gorasi and Grand Trustee Anthony Mosca.

### New Downey Lodge To Be Inducted By California Order

DOWNEY, Calif. — Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta met with charter members of the new Downey Lodge and announced that the lodge would be inducted into the Order on Sunday, February 22.

Raeta commended Third Assistant Grand Venerable Umberto Troiano for his work in organizing the new lodge.

Attending the organizational meeting were Second Assistant Grand Venerable Daniel D'Amico, Grand Recording Secretary Vincent Melella and Grand Trustee Frank Diliberto.

Also attending were the charter members of the new lodge.

Raeta urged the charter members to recruit candidates for the new lodge.

Mrs. Mary Troiano was in charge of a social held after the meeting.

## HOLIDAY GREETINGS

# GIUSEPPE VERDI LODGE

NO. 315

L. Sykes Sr., Ven.; V. Mattassa, Asst. Ven.; J. Spinella, Ex-Ven.; Mrs. T. Moriconi, Orator; Mrs. L. Sykes Jr., Rec. Sec.; L. Sykes Sr., Fin. Sec.; V. Carino, Treas.; Mrs. F. Spinella, Mrs. J. Marchetti, Mrs. A. Antonelli, J. DeGaetani, Mrs. A. Arrighi, trustees; J. B. Marchetti and A. Arrighi, masters of Ceremonies; J. Funai Sr., sentinel.

RICHMOND, VA.

## Best Wishes For The New Year

# GRAND LODGE of WEST VIRGINIA

ANGELO VIANI

Grand Venerable

FAIRMONT, W. VA.

### "PURPLE" PRESENTED AT FAIRMONT, W. VA.



Grand Venerable Angelo Viani, right, presents Mayor William G. Meyer with purple colored tag as part of the Order's national observance of Columbus Day.

## A Happy New Year

# Virginia

# Grand Lodge

FRANK MONTAGNA

Grand Venerable

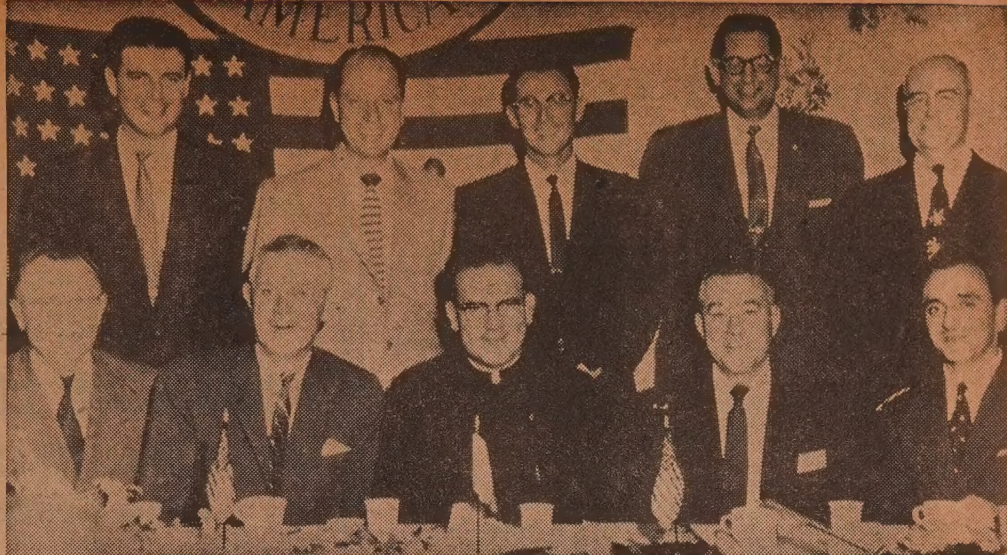
PORTSMOUTH, VA.





### VALLEJO, CALIF., COLUMBUS DAY BANQUET

Among the speakers and guests at the Columbus Day banquet held in Vallejo, were, front row, left to right, Congressman John Baldwin, Venerable Adua Pizzorno of Beatrice Portinari Lodge, Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta, Rev. Fr. E. L. Sanquinetti, Councilman Terry Curtola, master of ceremonies; rear, left to right, Venerable Primo Pizzorno of Virgilio Lodge, Mayor C. Wilfred Hewitt, Nick Zunnino, chairman, and Rosina Mazzoni, co-chairman.



### DENVER, COLO., LODGE COLUMBUS DAY CELEBRATION

More than 400 persons attended the first Columbus Day celebration sponsored by Denver Lodge No. 2075, inducted less than a year ago. Seated, left to right, U. S. Rep. Byron Rogers, Mayor William Nickolson, Rev. Father Mattucci, U. S. Sen. John Carroll and Italian Consul Emilio Paolo Bassi; standing, left to right, Councilman Roland Mapelli, lodge trustee; Venerable John DeCicco, Assistant Venerable Joseph Clancio, Judge Henry Santo, lodge trustee, and Atty. Anthony Zarlengo.



### MONTEREY, CALIF., OBSERVANCE

Grand Trustee Frank Ragone, at right, speaks to gathering attending Columbus day dinner sponsored by Monterey Lodge No. 2003. At head table, left to right, Assistant Venerable Joseph Aiello, chairman; Mrs. Anna Aiello, Venerable Anthony Lucido, Mrs. Teresa Lucido, Italian Consul General Dr. Pierluigi Alvera and Mrs. Peter Ferrante.

#### HOLIDAY BEST WISHES

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Lodge No. 198

Pittston, Pa.

## Greetings and Best Wishes THE GRAND LODGE of MARYLAND

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### Vallejo, Calif.

## 500 Attend Columbus Day Banquet

VALLEJO, Calif. — More than 500 persons attended the Columbus Day banquet sponsored by Virgilio Lodge No. 1586 and Beatrice Portinari Lodge No. 1626 at the Veterans Memorial building.

Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta was principal speaker. He praised the citizens of Vallejo for naming Columbus Parkway in honor of the discoverer of America.

Other speakers included Congressman John Baldwin, Mayor C. Wilfred Hewitt, Rev. Fr. E. L. Sanquinetti, Venerable Primo Pizzorno and Venerable Adua Pizzorno. City Councilman Terry Curtola was master of ceremonies.

Guests, Mrs. Raeta, Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. Hewitt, Grand Trustee and Mrs. Rocco Chiechi, Miss Dorothy Raeta, president, blood bank commission; Salvatore Argento, president, hospitalization fund; Grand Deputy and Mrs. Armando Bianchini, Venerable Luigi Salotti of Redwood Empire Lodge, and Venerable Michael Mulas of Valley of the Moon Lodge.

Nick Zunnino was chairman and Rosina Mazzoni, co-chairman.

### NATIONAL HOME

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must be followed. As a result of previous experience however, we should like to suggest the following:

"(1) Each Grand Venerable should appoint a State Chairman, and an Executive Committee for the drive in their jurisdiction not later than January 15, 1959. These names should be forwarded to me, with copies to the Regional Chairman, so that I will receive them not later than January 18, 1959. You may want to serve as State Chairman yourself. We would welcome this action.

"(2) A special Gifts Committee should be organized who would solicit donations of \$100 or more from members and non-members who are able to do so and who are desirous of bringing to fruition our dreams for a Sons of Italy National Building in Washington, D.C., that will bring honor to Americans of Italian descent. It is expected that all who contribute \$100 or more will have their names on a plaque erected in a suitable location in the building. It is hoped to place pictures of those who contribute \$1000 or more in a suitable location. Those who donate \$5000 or more will have plaques placed on appropriate rooms. We are working on

ways and means to establish a tax-exempt foundation so that gifts will be deductible for tax purposes.

"(3) Each Lodge in your jurisdiction should be asked to name a Chairman and committee to solicit funds from the membership and others who may be interested. It is hoped to make up paper bricks, so that each person contributing \$2.00 may receive an acknowledgement in the shape of a brick showing his investment in the National Home. Persons donating \$25 would have their names inscribed in a Gift Book to be kept at the Home.

"(4) A goal of \$400,000 has been set, and although we will not set any particular goal for your state, you may wish to do so. The overall goal will give you some ideas for your guidance.

"(5) We trust you will give all possible publicity to the drive in your publication to insure that your membership will be well informed regarding all phases. You will be forwarded a glossy print of the new building from your Regional Chairman.

"(6) OSIA NEWS will give considerable publicity to the drive and ... Alfred Marcello would appreciate receiving releases concerning all your activities in connection with the campaign.

"(7) A simple brochure will be prepared for use in the drive and should be in your hands by February 15, 1959, so that the drive can be officially launched on March 1, 1959.

"Plans for our new Home are being prepared, but construction will have to await the outcome of our drive. In its 50-year history, there has been no project of greater importance to the Order. This will probably be the only National Home we will ever build. By your leadership and cooperation, are you willing to insure the success of our drive by taking quickly the actions we have outlined above? May we hear from you soon?"

### "WEARING OF THE PURPLE" IN CANADA



More than 300 members and friends of Toronto's three lodges attended a Columbus Day dance held at the Club Embassy. Mrs. Lena Lalla, venerable of Fiorente Ladies' Lodge, presents purple emblem to Grand Venerable Anthony Farano. Nicholas Fraticelli, dressed as Christopher Columbus, looks on. Other sponsoring lodges included Belmonte Lodge and Ontario Lodge.

#### HOLIDAY GREETINGS

**Sons and Daughters  
of Columbus**

**LODGE NO. 2020**

**PORTLAND, OREGON**



# New Year Greetings CONNECTICUT GRAND LODGE

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## SEASON'S GREETINGS

ANITA GARIBALDI  
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TORRINGTON, CONN.

## New Year Greetings

MARTHA  
WASHINGTON  
Lodge No. 1337  
VINELAND, N. J.

# GREETINGS For The NEW YEAR GRAND LODGE of ONTARIO

ANTHONY FARANO  
Grand Venerable

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## Season's Greetings

Assistant Grand Venerable

PAUL A. D'AGOSTINO

GREEN HARBOR, MASS.

## New Year Best Wishes

Nicholas F. Benedetto  
MARLBORO, MASS.

## NEW YEAR GREETINGS

CRISTOFORO  
COLOMBO

Lodge No. 772

Francis Restivo, venerable;  
John J. Sturniolo, assistant  
venerable; Paul Ceravolo, ora-  
tor; Frank Furfaro, recording  
secretary; Nick DiLorenzo, fi-  
nancial secretary; Anthony  
Mazzureo, treasurer; Assunta  
Mucci, Adeline Carnovale, Pet-  
er Colturi, Charles Intagliato,  
Vincent Ceravolo, trustees; Mi-  
chael DiSalle and Francis Res-  
tivo, grand delegates.

TOLEDO, OHIO

## Holiday Greetings

Lega  
Protettiva

Lodge No. 379

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Rec. Sec. Mario Pagnoni  
Fin. Sec. A. DiSanti  
Treas. L. Albino  
SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

## Greetings For The New Year

ANTHONY C.  
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WORCESTER, MASS.

## New Year Greetings

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## Holiday Greetings

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NEW YEAR  
PATRIA  
E  
DIRITTI

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GIUSEPPE

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No. 278

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HOLIDAY  
BEST  
WISHES

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COLOMBO  
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# Bertoldo: Translated By Palmer DiGiulio

By **ALBERT A. MAINO**

**BERTOLDO**, Translated from the Italian of Giulio Cesare Croce, by Palmer DiGiulio of Joliet, Ill., Vantage Press, 94 pages, \$2.75.

The translation of Bertoldo, imaginary rogue of the 16th Century, by Palmer DiGiulio, national chairman of the Order's Committee on Immigration and Naturalization, brings to life a hectic period in court life which makes for delightful reading.

Fantastic would better describe the antics of this monstrous dwarf, in the service of Alboino, King of the Lombards, and his wife, Queen Isicratea.

Bertoldo, by way of explanation, was the brainchild of Giulio Cesare Croce, a blacksmith-turned-poet of the 16th Century, who lived in Bologna, Italy.

Croce's inventive mind created Bertoldo, a shapeless dwarf with red-rimmed eyes and a hunched back, who when he walked, seemed to shuffle sideways.

Bertoldo, though against his better judgment, is persuaded by King Alboino to join his court as counsel and to sit beside him at the throne to rule his people.

Fascinated by this mishapen little man's razor-sharp wit and his extreme impertinence, King Alboino conjures a number of plots to bring about a more equitable relationship of subject and ruler.

The manner in which Bertoldo meets each situation is fantastic, if not all but incredible. To say that he lived each day at court wary of what the next day would hold for him, is an understatement.

His thinking powers, which were extraordinary, were also taxed to

the limit with Queen Isicratea, who was determined to have him put to death for interfering with her plans on several occasions.

This uncouth little man, who manages to save his hairy hide from being singed, foils the snares of his tormentors and leaves in his wake an enraged Queen.

Bertoldo, a man of fearless wit, is also a philosopher, satirist and a humorist. His old and tattered garments, tuft of auburn whisker and ugly countenance belie his phenomenal foresight.

Though this reader finds no fault with the translation, nor with the numerous exciting trials of wee Bertoldo with Alboino and Isicratea, we must admit that we feel somewhat chagrined and frustrated.

Though in fact we must not blame the author, but rather Bertoldo, for it is he who recounts the epoch battle of the weasels and the squirrels. This scamp who flaunts royalty, also manages to vex his readers as well.

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THE NEW YEAR

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Happy Holiday

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*Greetings*

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*Greetings For The  
NEW YEAR*

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BALDWIN, N. Y.

**NEW YEAR  
BEST WISHES**

**ALBA  
NOVELLA**

**LODGE  
No. 334**

Troy, N. Y.

**HOLIDAY GREETINGS**

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Curwensville Lodge**

No. 1935

Curwensville, Pa.

**NEW YEAR  
GREETINGS**

**ALESSANDRO,  
MANZONI**

Lodge No. 258  
MAMARONECK, N. Y.

**NEW YEAR  
GREETINGS**

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GREETINGS**

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NEW YEAR**

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Lodge No. 436

OSWEGO, N. Y.

*Greetings and Best Wishes*

**To The Members Of The  
Order Sons Of Italy In America  
THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS**

**ALEXANDER J. NAPOLI  
Grand Venerable**



# Convention Set For Reading

PHILADELPHIA—President Judge Eugene V. Alessandrini, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order, and Grand Treasurer Anthony Zaffiro will be honored at the 1959 grand convention to be held the last week in June at Reading.

Arrangements for the convention were made at a meeting held in the quarters of the Reading Lodge, hosts for the convention. The lodge will observe its golden jubilee at the convention.

Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi, a speaker at the meeting, outlined the following program:

Celebration of the golden jubilee of Reading Lodge; observance of Alessandrini Day to honor Grand Venerable Alessandrini who has been at the helm of the Grand Lodge since 1923, and Zaffiro Day to honor Grand Treasurer Zaffiro who is dean of the Grand Council and has served the Grand Lodge in various offices since its inception in 1913.

Zaffiro was made general chairman of the week-long convention.

Grand Council members attending the meeting included Grand Recording Secretary Biagi, Grand Treasurer Zaffiro and Joseph Giambol, hospitalization commissioner. Venerable Frank Carabello, presided.

Assistant Venerable P. Floriani was honored at a dinner held following the meeting. Venerable Carabello was toastmaster.

Speakers included Biagi and Zaffiro. The latter proposed that a diploma di benemerenza be issued to the honored guest in recognition of his untiring service to the lodge.

## Alessandrini Speaker at Glassport

GLASSPORT, Pa. — President Judge Eugene V. Alessandrini, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order, was principal speaker at a banquet held in the quarters of Libera Italia Lodge No. 941.

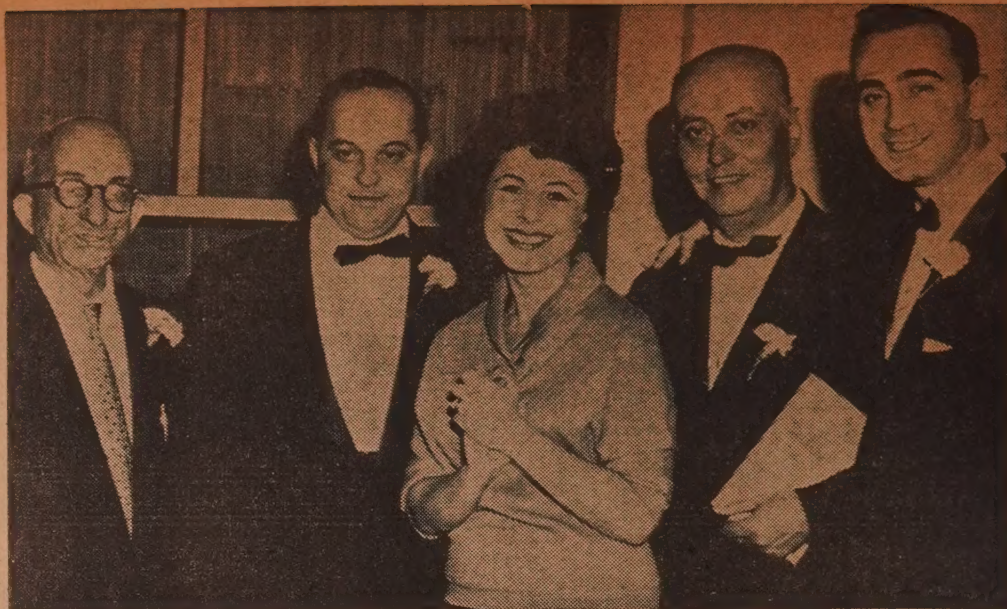
Ceremonies at which the mortgage on the new building was burned highlighted the evening program.

Other speakers included Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi and Judge William F. Gercione of the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas. Venerable Joseph Borrelli was master of ceremonies. Dominic Borrelli was general chairman.

## Pennsylvania's District 16 Induct 118 Members

SHARON, Pa.—The initiation of 118 new members highlighted a meeting and dinner sponsored by District 16 at the Shenango Valley Lodge No. 875.

Grand Trustee Adolph J. Cicco, district chairman, presided. The initiation was conducted by the Ellwood City Degree Team.



## EYDIE GOURME GUEST STAR AT PHILADELPHIA LODGE DANCE

Eydie Gourme, popular TV singer, is shown with lodge officers and committee members at fall dance sponsored by Giuseppe DiSilvestro Lodge No. 77 of Philadelphia. From left to right, Financial Secretary Dominic Rossi, Dominic Rossi Jr., co-chairman; Miss Gourme, Venerable Severino Verna and Michael Baccellieri, co-chairman.



## GLASSPORT, PA., LODGE BURNS MORTGAGE

Venerable Joseph Borrelli holds burning mortgage over tray at ceremonies that highlighted a banquet sponsored by Libera Italia Lodge No. 941. From left to right, Frank Molinari, building committee chairman, Nicola Borrelli, organizing venerable; Venerable Borrelli, Dominic Borrelli, banquet chairman, and Arch Buono, member of the building committee and banquet co-chairman.

## Indiana Grand Lodge

### Gary Site of June Convention

FORT WAYNE, Ind.—Members of the Indiana Grand Council, meeting in session here, announced the 1959 grand convention will be held June 12, 13 and 14 at the Gary Hotel in Gary. Grand Venerable Domenic J. Colone presided.

Convention hosts will be members of Dante Alighieri Lodge No. 1220 of Gary.

Highlight of the 1959 convention will be the selection of a queen of the Indiana Order. The contest winner will receive an all-expenses

paid trip for two to Florida. Samuel Bushemi is convention general chairman. Other chairmen are, Anthony Muffetto, tickets; Anthony Rendina Jr., queen contest, and Venerable Anthony Puperi, publicity.

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## New Year Greetings Guido Baccelli Lodge No. 687 WEST CHESTER, PA.

## FIRST PRIZE FLOAT AT SAN FRANCISCO PARADE



California's queen, Miss Sandra Ragone, center, is shown with members of her court on the prize winning Sons of Italy float entered in the Columbus Day parade held in San Francisco. Court members include Miss Susie DiGino, Miss Carla Menci, Miss Mary Torpino, Miss Diana Donati, Miss Dolores Arata and Miss Marian Petrini. The two pages at left are Anita Bollotti and Donald Frediani.

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